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REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 26, 2007, Applicants respectfully requests reconsideration. Claims 1-8, 9-14, 23-30, 32-36, 43-50 and 52-53 are now pending in this Application. Claims 9, 31 and 51 have been indicated as being in condition for allowance. Claims 1, 23 and 43 are independent claims and the remaining claims are dependent claims. In this Amendment, claims 1, 23 and 43 have been amended and claims 9, 15-22, 31, 37-42, 51 and 55-56 have been cancelled.

Claims 9, 31 and 51 were indicated as being allowable. Claims 1, 23, and 43 have been amended to include the limitations of claims 9, 31 and 51 respectively, placing these independent claims in condition for allowance. The remaining claims depend from one of the independent claims and are therefore allowable as well. Accordingly, claims Claims 1-8, 9-14, 23-30, 32-36, 43-50 and 52-53 are believed allowable and reconsideration and allowance thereof is respectfully requested. The prior art of record is not believed to disclose or suggest the present claims.

In view of the above the Examiner's objections and rejections have been overcome, placing Claims 1-8, 9-14, 23-30, 32-36, 43-50 and 52-53 in condition for allowance.

Applicants hereby petitions for any extension of time which is required to maintain the pendency of this case. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-3735.

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If the enclosed papers or fees are considered incomplete, the Patent Office is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (508) 616-9660, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

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